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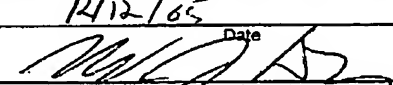
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**AMENDMENT A**

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**S I R:**

In response to the Office Action of September 12, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Abstract** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.

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